Amendment to the Drawings

The attached drawing sheet includes changes to Figure 1. This sheet, which includes Figure 1, replaces the original sheet including Figure 1. In Figure 1, the legend –conventional art- has been added.

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Remarks

Claims 1, 5, 10, 14, 17 and 21 are amended herein. Claims 1-23 remain pending in the Application. No new matter has been added as a result of the Claim amendments.

Drawing Objections

The Examiner has stated that Figure 1 should be designated by a legend such as --prior art—because only that which is old is illustrated. Applicants have amended Figure 1 herein. As such, the objection to the Drawings is overcome.

Applicants respectfully assert that no new matter is introduced as a result of the proposed drawing amendment and respectfully request the Examiner's review and approval thereof.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 7, 10-16 and 17-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Regarding Claims 7, 16 and 23, the Examiner has cited insufficient antecedent basis. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to Independent Claims 1, 10 and 17 have corrected the antecedent basis issues. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is moot.

Regarding Claims 10 and 11-16, the Examiner has cited Claim 10 as being vague and indefinite. Claims 11-16 are rejected based on the same rationale, since they depend therefrom. Applicants have amended Claim 10. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is moot.

Regarding Claims 17 and 18-23, the Examiner has cited Claim 17 as being vague and indefinite. Claims 18-23 are rejected based on the same

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rationale, since they depend therefrom. Applicants have amended Claim 17. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is moot.

Rejection under 102(b)

Claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10-14, 16-21 and 23

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10-14, 16-21 and 23 under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Casati et al.(eFlow: a Platform for Developing and Managing Composite e-Services, April 2000). Applicants have reviewed Casati et al. and respectfully states that Casati et al. do not anticipate the present invention for the following rationale.

Applicants respectfully state that Claims 1, 10 and 17 include the feature "utilizing a context repository to store context information for a user, wherein said context information is automatically detected without requiring user interaction and wherein said context information is based on a present user location". Support for the Claimed feature is clearly shown in the Figures and Specification including Figure 2 and page 8 lines 1-40 of the detailed description.

Applicants have reviewed Casati et al. and do not understand Casati et al. to teach or anticipate utilizing a context repository to store context information for a user, wherein the context information is automatically detected without requiring user interaction and wherein said context information is based on a present user location (emphasis added).

As the Examiner has cited, Applicants understand Casati et al. to teach and anticipate that the user will have to specify the current location and their destination and optionally indicate some constraints. For this reason, Applicants respectfully submit that an essential element needed for a *prima facie* rejection is missing. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Casati et al. does not anticipate the present claimed invention as recited in Claims 1, 10 and 17, and as such, Claims 1, 10 and 17 are in condition for allowance.

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Accordingly, Applicants also respectfully submit that Casati et al. does not anticipate the present claimed invention as recited in Claims 2-9 which are dependent on an allowable Independent Claim 1, Claims 11-16 which are dependent on an allowable Independent Claim 10 and Claims 18-23 which are dependent on an allowable Independent Claim 17, and that Claims 2-9, 11-16 and 18-23 recite further features of the present claimed invention. Therefore, Applicants respectfully state that Claims 2-9, 11-16 and 18-23 are allowable as pending from allowable base Claims.

Rejection under 103(a)

Claims 6, 15 and 22

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 6, 15 and 22 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Casati et al. in view of Stewart et al. (2002/0161688). Applicants have reviewed the cited references and respectfully submit that the present invention is not rendered obvious over Casati et al. in view of Stewart et al. for the following rationale.

For the reasons provided herein in the response to the rejection of Claims 1, 10 and 17 and not repeated for purposes of brevity and clarity, Applicants respectfully submit that Casati et al. does not teach or render obvious the features of Claims 1, 10 and 17. For this reason, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 10 and 17 are allowable.

With respect to Claims 6, 15 and 22, Applicants respectfully point out that Claim 6 depends from the allowable Independent Claim 1, Claim 15 depends from the allowable Independent Claim 10 and Claim 22 depends from the allowable Independent Claim 17 and that Claims 6, 15 and 22 recite further features of the present claimed invention. Therefore, Applicants respectfully state that Claims 6, 15 and 22 are allowable as pending from allowable base Claims.

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Claim 9

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 9 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Casati et al. in view of Ramanathan et al. (6182136). Applicants have reviewed the cited references and respectfully submit that the present invention is not rendered obvious over Casati et al. in view of Ramanathan et al. for the following rationale.

For the reasons provided herein in the response to the rejection of Claims 1, 10 and 17 and not repeated for purposes of brevity and clarity, Applicants respectfully submit that Casati et al. does not teach or render obvious the features of Claims 1, 10 and 17. For this reason, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 10 and 17 are allowable.

With respect to Claim 9, Applicants respectfully point out that Claim 9 depends from the allowable Independent Claim 1 and recites further features of the present claimed invention. Therefore, Applicants respectfully state that Claim 9 is allowable as pending from an allowable base Claim.

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Conclusion

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1-23.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present application.

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